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Legislation Text

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Environmental Management Department recommending adoption of Resolution authorizing the execution of an Agreement with the State of California Environmental Protection Agency, State Water Resources Control Board, in the amount of \$93,202 for the term July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 to allow said Department to provide services for the Local Oversight Program for Fiscal Year 2009/2010 as related to underground storage tank contamination monitoring, remediation activities and site closure.

FUNDING: California State Water Resources Control Board.

Resolution 189-2009

BUDGET SUMMARY:		
Total Estimated Cost		\$93,202
Funding		
Budgeted	\$93,202	
New Funding	\$	
Savings	\$	
Other	\$	
Total Funding Available	\$93,202	
Change To Net County Cost		\$0.00

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: Funding is provided by the California State Water Resources Control Board, there is no change to Net County Cost.

Background: In the State of California petroleum underground storage tank release abatement activities and regulatory oversight are funded by a \$0.01/gallon tax on motor vehicle fuels. In 36 California Counties, regulatory oversight is provided by the California Regional Water Quality Control Boards (CRWQCB). In 22 Counties regulatory oversight is provided by local government agencies. Programs administered by local agencies are known as Local Oversight Programs (LOP). Under annual, renewable contracts between the State and LOP agencies, fuel tax revenues are transferred to the local agencies for program implementation. The LOP staff work directly with property owners, business operators and third parties to remediate the effects of petroleum releases. There are 47 sites in El Dorado County that are currently implementing groundwater remediation activities.

In 2006, the Environmental Management Department (EMD) acquired a Registered Professional Geologist. By having a Registered Professional Geologist on staff, EMD was able to contract with the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to implement the LOP for Fiscal Year 2008-09. The SWRCB and EMD concur that continued local oversight for Fiscal Year 2009-10 will result in expedited remediation activities, reducing water quality impacts and overall program costs. The LOP program is closely tied to the hazardous materials, underground storage tank and

contaminated soil remediation programs EMD has implemented for over 20 years. If this agreement is approved, EMD will continue to assume local oversight authority for 25 of the 47 EDC contaminated underground storage tank sites. The Central Valley Region Water Quality Control Board will continue oversight of 9 severely contaminated underground storage tank sites. The Lahontan Region Water Quality Control Board will continue oversight of 13 severely contaminated underground storage tank sites.

Reason for Recommendation: The Board of Supervisors authorized the Chairman to sign the FY 09/10 Local Oversight Program Agreement 09-016-250 with the State Water Resources Control Board on June 30th, 2009. Subsequent to the Environmental Management Department's submittal of the agreement to the State, the Department was contacted by the State Water Resources Control Board requesting an accompanying Resolution to said agreement.

Action to be taken following Board approval: Forward Resolution to Department for submittal to the State Water Resources Control Board.

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Concurrences: County Counsel, Risk Management